

REMARKS

Claims 1-137 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. Claims 1-137 are presently pending in the application. The Applicants have elected the Species IH, drawn to claims 9-27 and 81-99 and subspecies IHa, drawn to claims 10 and 82, without traverse. Favorable reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Restriction under 35 USC § 121:

The Examiner has made a new Election/Restriction as follows.

Claims 1 and 37 are generic to the following disclosed patentably distinct species:

- Species IA. Drawn to claims 2 and 74.
- Species IB. Drawn to claims 3 and 75.
- Species IC. Drawn to claims 4 and 76.
- Species ID. Drawn to claims 5 and 77.
- Species IE. Drawn to claims 6 and 78.
- Species IF. Drawn to claims 7 and 79.
- Species IG. Drawn to claims 8 and 80.
- Species IH. Drawn to claims 9-27 and 81-99.
- Species II. Drawn to claims 28-36 and 100-108.

Claim 37 is generic to the following disclosed patentably distinct species:

- Species IJ. Drawn to claims 38-48.
- Species IK. Drawn to claims 49-60.
- Species IL. Drawn to claims 61-73 and 124-129.
- Species IM. Drawn to claims 109-123.
- Species IN. Drawn to claims 130-137,

indicating that the species are independent or distinct because the differing limitations make the Species IA-IN patentably distinct from one another, i.e. a reference that anticipates or makes obvious one of the Species IA-IN would not, by itself, anticipate or make obvious any of the remaining invention.

Applicants elect the species claims of Species IH, drawn to claims 9-27 and 81-99, without traverse.

Furthermore, the Examiner indicates that, if Species IH is chosen, applicant is required to elect a single disclosed species of Species IH:

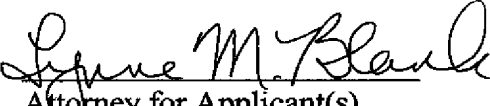
Species IHa. Drawn to claims 10 and 82.
Species IHb. Drawn to claims 11 and 83.
Species IHc.. Drawn to claims 12 and 84.
Species IHd. Drawn to claims 13 and 85.
Species IHe. Drawn to claims 14 and 86.
Species IHf. Drawn to claims 15 and 87.
Species IHg. Drawn to claims 16, and 88.
Species IHh. Drawn to claims 17 and 89.
Species IHi. Drawn to claims 18 and 90.
Species IHj. Drawn to claims 19 and 91.
Species IHk. Drawn to claims 20 and 92.
Species IHI. Drawn to claims 21 and 93.
Species IHm. Drawn to claims 22 and 94.
Species IIn. Drawn to claims 23 and 95.
Species IHo. Drawn to claims 24 and 96.
Species IHp. Drawn to claims 25 and 97.
Species IHq. Drawn to claims 26 and 98.
Species I Hr. Drawn to claims 27 and 99.
Species I Hs. Drawn to claims 28 and 100.
Species IHt. Drawn to claims 29 and 101.
Species IHu. Drawn to claims 30 and 102.
Species IHv. Drawn to claims 31 and 103.
Species IHw. Drawn to claims 32 and 104.
Species IHx. Drawn to claims 33 and 105.
Species IHy. Drawn to claims 34 and 106.
Species IHz. Drawn to claims 35 and 107.
Species IHaa. Drawn to claims 36 and 108,

indicating that the species are independent or distinct because the differing limitations make the Species IHa-IHaa patentably distinct from one another, i.e. a reference that anticipates or makes obvious one of the Species IHa-IHaa would not, by itself, anticipate or make obvious any of the remaining invention.

Applicants elect the subspecies claims of Species IHa, drawn to claims 10 and 82, without traverse. It should be noted, however, that Applicants are confused by the inclusion of subspecies IHs – IHaa, as they are not included under the species IH above.

It is believed that the foregoing is a complete response to the Office Action and that the claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue is therefore earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,


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